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Status						
1)⊠ Responsive to communication(s) filed on <u>04 Ju</u> 2a)□ This action is <b>FINAL</b> . 2b)⊠ This      3)□ Since this application is in condition for allowant closed in accordance with the practice under E	action is non-final. nce except for formal matters, pro					
Disposition of Claims						
<ul> <li>4)  Claim(s) 30-36 is/are pending in the application.</li> <li>4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdrawn from consideration.</li> <li>5)  Claim(s) is/are allowed.</li> <li>6)  Claim(s) 30-32,34 and 36 is/are rejected.</li> <li>7)  Claim(s) 33 and 35 is/are objected to.</li> <li>8)  Claim(s) are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.</li> </ul>						
Application Papers						
9) The specification is objected to by the Examine 10) The drawing(s) filed on is/are: a) access Applicant may not request that any objection to the confidence of the c	epted or b) objected to by the Eddrawing(s) be held in abeyance. See ion is required if the drawing(s) is obj	e 37 CFR 1.85(a). ected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).				
Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119						
12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).  a) All b) Some * c) None of:  1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.  2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No  3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).  * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.						
Attachment(s)  1) Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)  2) Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)  3) Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08) Paper No(s)/Mail Date	4)  Interview Summary ( Paper No(s)/Mail Da 5)  Notice of Informal Pa 6)  Other:					

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#### **DETAILED ACTION**

#### Election/Restrictions

1. Applicant's election without traverse of adduct disclosed at pages 21-22 (Example 7) in the reply filed on June 04, 2004 is acknowledged.

## Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

2. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless -

- (b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.
- 3. Claims 30-32, 34 and 36 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being clearly anticipated by Scollard et al., Macromolecules, Vol. 29, pp. 5241-5243 (1996). Scollard et al. discloses a reaction scheme (see page 5241) in which silylated diamines are reacted with titanium tetrachloride using xylenes under reflux conditions to form a chelated diamine titanium dichloride complex. On a second step, the chelated diamine titanium dichloride complex is reacted with a Grignard reagent to form the final product. This process scheme clearly anticipates claim 30-32. Furthermore, the first step of the above reaction scheme also anticipates claims 34 and 36.

### Allowable Subject Matter

4. Claims 33 and 35 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. It is noted that the elected adduct is novel.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Porfirio Nazario-Gonzalez whose telephone number is 571-272-0641. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon.-Fri. (9:30 AM - 6:00 PM).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Johann R. Richter can be reached on 571-272-0646. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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